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CONNECTING A
LONGITUDINAL MEMBER TO
A BONE PORTION
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 26, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2004 (Office Action).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Summary of Interview begins on page 11 of this paper.

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